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News Release

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Sanitary Sewer Smoke Testing Continues

The City of Springfield's Clean Water Services Division will be testing sanitary sewers to find leaks in the system with a non-toxic, odorless smoke today, July 10, 2012, within the following boundaries:

North: W. Bell St.
South: W. Kearny St.
West: N. Grant Ave.
East: N. Robberson Ave.

Smoke will be blown into the sewer manholes in the street, and will travel through the pipes and will come out wherever there are broken pipes and where roof downspouts, outside area drains, or foundation drains, are connected to the sanitary sewers.

Springfield will conduct smoke testing in different parts of the city over the next five years, in order to locate improper connections, make repairs, test repair methods, and develop a long-term Sanitary Sewer Overflow Control Plan.

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